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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
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Mitsuru ISHIKAWA et al.)
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Sir:

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicants hereby petition for a three month extension of time to reply to the
Office Action of June 5, 2003. A fee of \$950.00 is enclosed.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge
any additional required fees to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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